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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: SNAR
SUBJ: OPIUM POPPY CULTIVATION DATA

REF: STATE 98632

1. FOLLOWING IS INTERIM DATA ON OPIUM/HEROIN POPPY PRODUCTION
JUST OBTAINED FROM GOI NARCOTICS CONTROL ADMINISTRATION. IRANIANS
ARE GATHERING ADDITIONAL INFO AND HAVE INDICATED SOME ADDITIONAL
DATA WILL PROBABLY BE AVAILABLE SHORTLY; EMBASSY WILL FORWARD
WHEN AVAILABLE.

2. PRIORITY A: 15,000 HECTARES OF LAND IN NINE IRANIAN
PROVINCES IS UNDER LICENSED POPPY CULTIVATION. PLANTING
OCCURS IN OCTOBER/NOVEMBER, WITH HARVESTING IN LATE APRIL/MAY/
EARLY JUNE. THERE IS ONE CROP PER YEAR, WITH AN AVERAGE YIELD
OF 20 KILOGRAMS PER HECTARE. BY FURTHER REDUCTION OF WATER
CONTENT, IT RESULTS IN APPROX. 12.5 KGS. OF OPIUM PER
HECTARE. MORPHINE ALKALOID PERCENTAGE VARIES BETWEEN
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8 PERCENT AND 16 PERCENT DEPENDING ON GROWING REGION.

3. PRIORITY B: DETAILS NOT YET AVAILABLE ON RECENT
HEROIN LAB SEIZURES, BUT HEROIN BASE VARIES BETWEEN 45
AND 60 PERCENT WITH VARIOUS ADULTERANTS BEING USED.

4. PRIORITY C: IRANIAN POPPY CROP IS RAIN CROP HARVESTED

BY LANCING/SLASHING METHOD. SEASONALITY AS NOTED IN
PARA TWO ABOVE.
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